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SUBJECT: ANNUAL TERRORISM REPORT: INDONESIA

REF: STATE 223177

11. (U) CLASSIFIED BY POL COUNSELOR ED MCWILLIAMS;
REASON 1.5(D)

12. (U) THE FOLLOWING FORMAT IS DERIVED FROM REFTEL AND
RESPONDS TO PARAGRAPHING SET OUT IN PARA 3 REFTEL.

A: HOST GOVERNMENT PROSECUTIONS INVOLVING INTERNATIONAL
TERRORISM:

THE GOI FACED A SERIOUS HOSTAGE TAKING IN IRIAN JAYA
DURING 1996 WHICH INVOLVED THE KIDNAPPING OF THIRD
COUNTRY AND INDONESIAN NATIONALS (NGO PERSONNEL, NONE
DIPLOMATIC). NO U.S. CITIZENS WERE INVOLVED. THE GOI
WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE ICRC AND OTHERS TO SECURE THE
HOSTAGES' RELEASE THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS. WHEN THIS
NEGOTIATED OUTCOME FAILED, GOI MILITARY WERE BROUGHT IN
TO RESCUE THE HOSTAGES. ALL BUT TWO VICTIMS WERE
RESCUED: TWO OF THE INDONESIAN HOSTAGES WERE KILLED BY
THEIR ABDUCTORS. THE GOI HAS PURSUED THE KIDNAPPERS BUT
HAS NOT CAPTURED ANY FOR PROSECUTION. (SEE EXTENSIVE
REPORTING ON THIS SUBJECT).

THE GOI FACED A SIMILAR MASS KIDNAPPING CASE AGAIN IN
IRIAN JAYA IN AUGUST WHICH INVOLVED ONLY INDONESIAN
CITIZENS. THE GOI TREATED THE MATTER AS A MILITARY
PROBLEM AND PURSUED THE CAPTORS, COMPELLING THEM
EVENTUALLY TO RELEASE ALL BUT TWO OF THE VICTIMS (THESE
TWO REPORTEDLY HAVING BEEN TORTURED AND KILLED BY THEIR
ABDUCTORS). GOI MILITARY FORCES HAVE PURSUED THE
KIDNAPPERS BUT HAVE NOT CAPTURED ANY FOR PROSECUTION.
SEE POST REPORTING ON THIS SUBJECT.

1B. GOI RESPONSE TO USG REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE IN
TERRORIST CASES:

THE GOI RESPONDED QUICKLY AND WITH FULL SUPPORT OVER A
WEEKEND TO ASSIST IN GATHERING AND REVIEWING EVIDENCE IN
ITS POSSESSION IN THE SHIROSAKI CASE. THE RAPID GOI
RESPONSE PROVIDED A BASIS FOR U.S. ACTION TO BRING THE
SUSPECT TO THE U.S. THE GOI IS CONTINUING TO WORK WITH
THE USG ON THIS CASE.

1C. IMPEDIMENTS TO HOST GOVERNMENT PROSECUTION AND/OR
EXTRADITION OF SUSPECTED TERRORISTS:

THERE IS NO EXTRADITION TREATY BETWEEN THE U.S. AND
INDONESIA; HOWEVER, INDONESIA HAS BEEN RESPONSIVE TO
U.S. REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE.

1D. RESPONSE OTHER THAN PROSECUTION:

SEE RESPONSE, PARA B.

1E. MAJOR COUNTERTERRORISM EFFORTS UNDERTAKEN IN 1996:

THE GOI HAS MAINTAINED ACTIVE MILITARY PURSUIT OF REBELS
IN IRIAN JAYA WHO HAVE EMPLOYED TERRORIST TACTICS
AGAINST INNOCENT CIVILIANS.

1F. HOST GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM:

THE GOI MAINTAINS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ALL STATES
WHICH APPEAR ON THE "TERRORISM LIST." ALL OF THESE

STATES MAINTAIN EMBASSIES IN INDONESIA.

IG. HOST GOVERNMENT STATEMENTS IN SUPPORT OF A TERRORIST-SUPPORTING COUNTRY ON A TERRORISM ISSUE:

NONE

IH. SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN GOI ATTITUDE TOWARD TERRORISM:

NONE

II. U.S. REQUESTS FOR COOPERATION:

THE U.S. SOUGHT THE COOPERATION OF THE GOI ON THE SHIROSAKI CASE, SPECIFICALLY ASKING FOR ASSISTANCE IN DETERMINING OVER A WEEKEND WHAT EVIDENCE WAS HELD BY THE GOI IN THE NINE YEAR OLD INCIDENT AND WHETHER THE GOI WOULD BE PREPARED TO ALLOW THE UNITED STATES USE OF THE EVIDENCE IT HAD IN A U.S. COURT. THE GOI RESPONSE WAS ENTIRELY POSITIVE.

IJ. GOI COOPERATION OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS WITH U.S. REQUESTS:

EMBASSY FILES ONLY EXTEND BACK TO 1995. GOI AUTHORITIES HAVE CONSISTENTLY PLAYED AN EFFECTIVE AND RESPONSIBLE ROLE IN PREVENTING ACTS OF TERRORISM AGAINST U.S. CITIZENS.

IK. GOI COOPERATION IN RESPONSE TO U.S. REQUESTS:

SEE PARA B.

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